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LB 388

PRESIDENT ROBAK PRESIDING

PRESIDENT ROBAK: Good morning and welcome to the George W. Norris Legislative Chamber. Our chaplain for the day is Father Tim Anderson of St. Stephens Episcopal Church in Grand Island, from Senator Chris Peterson's district. Father Anderson.

FATHER ANDERSON: (Prayer offered.)

PRESIDENT ROBAK: Thank you, Father. I now call the seventy-second legislative day to order. Will senators please record your presence. Please record.

CLERK: I have a quorum present, Madam President.

PRESIDENT ROBAK: Thank you, Mr. Clerk. Are there any corrections to the Journal?

CLERK: I have no corrections, Madam President.

PRESIDENT ROBAK: Any messages, reports, and announcements?

CLERK: Just a series of appointment letters from the Governor, who, which in turn will be referred to reference for a referral to Standing Committee for confirmation hearing. Those are the only items I have, Madam President. (See pages 1881-83 of the Legislative Journal.)

PRESIDENT ROBAK: Thank you, Mr. Clerk. We now turn to General File Appropriations bills and LB 388.

CLERK: Madam President, LB 388, a bill originally introduced by the Speaker at the request of the Governor. (Read title.) The bill was introduced on January of this year. At that time it was referred to the Appropriations Committee for public hearing. The bill was advanced to General File. There are committee amendments pending, Madam President.

PRESIDENT ROBAK: The chair recognizes Senator Wehrbein to open on the bill.

SENATOR WEHRBEIN: Yes, Madam President and members, the deficit